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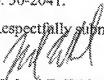
Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, and 10 are amended. Claims 11-33 are canceled. Claims 1-10 remain in the application.

Claims 1-10 are drawn to the elected group 1 invention.

The applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims or alternative claims supported by the patent specification and drawings in one or more continuing or divisional applications.

A provisional petition is hereby made for any extension of time necessary for the continued pendency during the life of this application. Please charge any fees for such provisional petition and any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

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